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Dear Sir:

Applicants telefaxed a petition to the Group Director on May 16, 2003. The fax was received, and evidence thereof is appended hereto.

As a response to the final rejection is due on July 16, 2003, and the decision on the petition will impact the response, a decision would be appreciated.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0624, under Order No. NY-LUD 5531.1-DIV-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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